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As these are Selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand Imported in Wood and Bottled by ourselves thus saving all intermediate profits and enabling us to supply the best growths at moderate prices.

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PORT:—After removal should be rested a month before use. When required to drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

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We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
 Hongkong, 9th January, 1895.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1895.

TELEGRAMS.

LORD ROSEBERY'S CONDITION.
 LONDON, March 2nd.
 The health of Lord Rosebery is improving.

DISASTER IN MEXICO.
 A pilgrim train in Mexico fell over a precipice and thereby caused the death of one hundred passengers and serious injuries to ninety others.

THE GERMAN NAVY.
 In a debate in the Reichstag on the Navy estimates, the Government strongly insisted on an increase in the numbers of cruisers to enable them to fitly protect German trade and subjects, and to satisfactorily safeguard their interests, especially in China and Japan.
 The cost of four new cruisers was accordingly voted by a large majority.

(Special to Shanghai Mercury.)
ANOTHER REPEATED VICTORY.
TIEN-TSIN, February 23rd.
 E-k'o-t'ang, a Tartar General of Helling-chia in command of the Manchou and Mongol troops holding the Palisades north of Fenghuang-shan sent despatches to-day to Viceroy Wang Wu-shao announcing the capture of Fenghuang-shan from the enemy. Also that the bulk the Mukden forces have commenced to move southwards and may possibly cut off the Japanese troops west of Hailuyn, from the base in that city.

LI HUNG-CHANG'S MISSION.
PEKING, February 23rd.
 The high officials here hope that the appointment of the Viceroy Li Hung-chang as Peace Envoy will be acceptable to Japan, and that that will serve to decide the terms of settlement.

be placed to him. The time and place of the proposed negotiations are still unsettled.

LI AND THE EMPEROR.
Peking, February, 24th.
The Viceroy Li Hsing-chang has had a satisfactory audience with the Emperor.

SUPPLIES UNANIMOUSLY VOTED BY THE JAPANESE DIET.
YOKOHAMA, February 23d.
The Supplementary Budget for extra war expenses, the loan of three million yen to the Korean Government and the law regarding the raising of the national flag have been unanimously passed by the House.

(Special to N. C. Daily News.)
THE JAPANESE ADVANCING.
Tientsin, 24th February.
It is reported that the Japanese are making a forward movement from Hancheng and are now fighting along Tienchewang, whither General Sang appears to have been driven. There is rumoured trouble to the Foreign settlement of Newchwang, but no authentic news. This would stop missionary families coming from the interior. It is reported that the authorities are everywhere anxious to protect them. The townspeople of Tientsin, near Peking, requested the mediation of missionaries to ransom the city should the Japanese appear. The governor of Tientsin recently made a similar request to the foreign Consuls.

(Special to Shanghai Mercury.)
MEETING OF THE GRAND COUNCIL.
PEKING, Feb. 23, 1904.
At a meeting of the Grand Council held on the 24th it was agreed that all the High Officials from the first to the third rank should write, sending their replies by telegram, whether they agreed to a prolonged war or to have peace. All have expressed their opinion that the war is unjust, but that they are anxious for peace if some serious for peace if Japan's terms are bearable.

REV. GILBERT RIED INTERVIEWS PRIVY COUNCIL.
TIENTSIN, February 25th.
The Rev. Gilbert Ried has been granted cordial private interview with the majority of the Privy Council and other high officials owing to his past friendly services.

HOW LI HUNG-CHANG WAS APPOINTED ENVOY TO JAPAN.
TIENTSIN, February 25th.
It was the Empress Dowager and Prince Kung who proposed that Viceroy Li Hung-chang should be appointed Envoy Extraordinary to Japan, and the other high officials agreed to it.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

BROADWAY PIANOS at W. Robinson & Co.

THE Spanish cruiser *Reina Cristina* arrived here to-day from Manila.

NEW YORK Insurance authorities report the first loss of 1904 in that city to be \$30,000,000 less than that of 1903.

A LARGE turtle, weighing no less than 275 lbs was brought to Hongkong yesterday from the South by a sailing ship.

The Volunteer's Ball, owing to the death of the Hon. F. M. St. Aubyn of the Rifle Brigade, has been postponed to Friday, March 15th.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Sanitary Board will be held at 4.15 p.m. on Monday to consider draft By-laws under section 13 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1894.

We are informed by the Agents of the Austrian Lloyd's S. N. Co. that the Company's steamer *Vindobona* left Kobe for this port, *via* Moji yesterday.

As will be seen by an advertisement in another column Mrs. Bishop, who is passing through Hongkong, will deliver a lecture on Korea at the City Hall on Monday afternoon.

COLLARD & COLLARD PIANOS at W. Robinson & Co.

CAPTAIN ZILOFF, of the Russian man-of-war *Rasbitchik*, died of kidney disease at the Shanghai General Hospital on Sunday. The funeral took place the next day, when in addition to detachments from the man-of-war in port, the Volunteer Corps attended.

At the Central Police Station this morning the popularity of Chief Constable Matheson with the Chinese section of the Force was evidenced by deputies of the latter presenting him with a handsome silk scroll on which are gilt hieroglyphics denoting the virtues of the popular Chief and wishing him a pleasant trip to his home in "bonnie Dundee."

ALAS! ALAS! A Chinese youth was sent to gaol for six months, and sentenced to receive 18 strokes with a rattan prior to being discharged from custody, by Mr. Hastings at the Magistrate's court, for catching a pair of ear-rings valued at \$2, from a Chinese woman in Queen's Road yesterday afternoon. A Chinese cook at the Stag Hotel, who captured the erring youth, received a "cumshaw" of \$3.

In another column we dealt with Australia's efforts to find outlets for its rapidly increasing and important products. We have had the pleasure of an interview with Mr. E. Verom Drer, whom we found in his room at the Hongkong hotel almost buried alive in manuscript. In addition to the numerous duties which he is entrusted, Mr. Drer is travelling correspondent of the *Sydney Morning Herald* and the Melbourne *Argus* and *Australasian*, which capacity he visited us, and the black sheep, in June and July last year, on his way to Shanghai and Japan. By the way, how about Mr. Drer's place recognition medal? Don't all about "my saves" at once!

THE torpedo store-ship *Kongchi* arrived yesterday from Weihaiwei on the 23rd inst. with eleven foreign seamen, all of whom took part in the defence of Weihaiwei, except the American subject Howie who was detained for trial by the Court Martial. The *Kongchi* brought also the bodies of its deceased Chinese officers. Admiral Ting among them, another was that of the commandant of the *Chanyue*, said to have been on board the ship, and capable man; but the numerous bodies of the Chinese crew were left on the side of his ship. Considerable preparations were made to do honor to the remains of Admiral Ting, which were not then started at 11 p.m. The coffin was, however, not to be taken ashore, as it was too large to be carried on the shore. The Council is in uniform, arrived at the Chinese city at 11 p.m. and arranged their beds in the hotel.

W. ROBINSON & Co., piano builders, tuners and repairers.

THE Russian cruisers *Gay Tamud* and *Usadsk* arrived here to-day from Europe, via Saigon, en route to Shanghai.

THE second number of the Journal of the "Old Volumes," *The Book Plate*, which is a vast improvement on the maiden issue, contains the first part of an interesting paper by Sir William Robinson on "Self Cultivation."

WE understand that Inspector Corcoran has been appointed Chief Inspector, vice Mr. J. Matheson, to date from the 6th inst. and that Inspector Hennessy will throughout the charge of Kowloon district and the Water Police.

THE extraordinary general meeting of the Hong Kong Cricket Club, to consider a proposal for the acquisition by the Cricket Club of the Racquet Court Club's ground and premises, will be held at the Cricket Pavilion on Monday, the 4th inst. at 5 o'clock.

CAPT. A. VIMONT and the officers of the new French mail liner *Ernest Simons* are, through the courtesy of the Agents, going to receive number of specially invited guests on board the splendid ship on Tuesday next between 4 and 5 p.m.

NEW piano repairing machinery, received by W. Robinson & Co.

REFERRING to the contradictory nature of the news from the seat of war in Manchuria of a American contemporary writer:—

Like China's with the Japanese—
Wherein both sides, when'er they fight
Win great and glorious victories.

THAT magnificent specimen of naval architecture the steamship *Prinz Heinrich* will be visited by a large number of residents on Monday. The Agents, Messrs. Melchers & Co., having conducted issued a lot of invitations to the public to inspect the latest addition to the North German Lloyd's fleet of mail steamers.

YESTERDAY afternoon a Chinaman was found at the rear of the military barracks suffering from a bullet wound in his back between the shoulders. He was sent by the police to the Government Civil Hospital, where he was detained. It is thought that a stray bullet from a military rifle struck him while target practice was in full swing.

THE course for the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's race to-morrow will be from the Summerline Mincing Pier, between the Ce tral and Victoria buoys, round a mark b.a off Green Island, Cosmoopolis, Dock No. 10, the Neck bar and Channel rocks, leaving all to starboard and finishing at the starting line; in all about 15 miles.

FULL stock of banjos, mandolins, guitars, accordions, strings and fittings of all kinds. W. Robinson & Co.

AT the Police Court to-day, before Mr. Hastings a chair cooler was charged by Private F. Bond of the Rifle Brigade for assault. The complainant whose evidence was corroborated by a comrade alleged that the defendant threw a basket at and struck him on the face. As there appeared to be some doubt in the case, the magistrate imposed a nominal fine of \$1 or in default seven days. He 'went up.'

SEVERAL columns of original and very interesting news, including the full text of the important judgment delivered by his Honour the Acting Chief Justice in the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon, "The Irish Glove-totter," is unavoidably held over until Monday. The time seemed high when the *Hongkong Telegraph*, the most popular journal published East of the Suez Canal, will have to be enlarged considerably.

THE speed of the new American cruisers has been compared with that of the large Atlantic liners, not altogether to the advantage of the former. The *Baltimore*, for instance, on her trial trip, made 20 knots, and earned over £20,000 in premiums, but she has never been able to make over 15 knots since. The *Nebraska* has never done better than 12 knots, though the best service record is seven knots, though her trial showed 18. The *Philadelphia*, on a recent voyage from Honolulu to San Francisco, was woefully beaten by a merchant steamer which left at the same time, and it is said that even the famous *New York* could not do better than 18 knots. That is the best that has ever been got out of her. A race is proposed for twenty-four hours between the cruisers *Columbia* and one of the fast Atlantic liners. It is considered that it would demonstrate that, as commerce destroyers, the cruisers would amount to much, unless the commerce should idle about, waiting to be destroyed, as the London Journal puts it.

WE are in receipt of a most useful leather-faced gold-lettered calendar with shifting cards for months and days, making it perpetual. It is both useful and ornamental and prepared in the best style, and is strong and durable. It is from the great wine producers, Messrs. Duncanson, Gilmore & Co. Ltd., of Dixon Lane, London, and advertises the well-known brand of Bollinger champagne, for which they are agents. The new calendar is interesting and amusing, and is from *The Caterer of St. James* 15th 1894, describing the Caterer's Feast at St. James on October 15th last at Stooplopp, when Lord Roseberry and many of the highest born and most prominent men of England were present and got away with an bestowed unqualified praise on thirty dozen Bollinger champagne 1885 *cuvée* (Letter T) judging from the menu and that report, it must have been a royal feast and a most interesting for the gods. As this is our dry season, and, the Orkney, one is always more or less thirsty, what is wrong with sending along a champagne, just for luck? We might then be able to write a notice that would sparkle with brilliancy and make the brand and ourselves deservedly famous.

In a paper read before the British Association Dr. A. Bernstein, of Berlin, dealt with what he terms "the bacterium in milk." The bacterium which he described is very small, and has the property of rapidly making sterilized milk transparent, the change beginning at the top and proceeding downward. No gases are evolved and no coagulation takes place. The casein and fat particles in the milk are converted into peptones. In order to apply this fact to the production of peptonized milk, useful as a article of food, a small quantity of milk which the bacterium is growing is mixed with a considerable quantity of fresh milk from which the cream has been removed. The mixture kept at a suitable temperature, and fresh quantities of bacterium are added from time to time. When the whole liquid has become transparent it is boiled in order to kill the bacteria and coagulate any casein that remains unaltered. The product is a redish, slightly acid liquid with an aromatic odour. By adding, along with the bacterium, some pure yeast that has the property of attacking milk-sugar, an alcoholic preparation can readily be obtained. In a probably the same or a similar bacterium plays an essential part in the ripening of cheese.

New Comic Song and Dance Albums at W
Robinson & Co.

THE Mission steam-launch *Day Spring* will call alongside vessels holding code pennant C between 9 and 10.30 a.m., on Sunday, to convey men ashore to the 11 o'clock service, returning about 12.30 p.m.

ANOTHER MURDER IN HONGKONG.

CORONER'S INQUIRY.

At the Magistrate to-day Mr. Woodhouse, Coroner, opened an enquiry into the circumstances attending the death of Sung Sheung Le, a boatman, who, it is alleged, was stabbed five times in the back on the night of the 18th ultimo by some Chinchow boatman, who boarded the deceased's craft.

According to the evidence of Sun Kim, boatman, deceased was in his sampan, which was lying off Bonham's Strand, on the night of the 18th. At 9 p.m. on the night in question another boat rounded-to and bumped against his craft. Witness and deceased both told the boat to get further off, when two men belonging to the other boat jumped into their boat and stabbed the deceased and cut another man, and then jumped back into their own boat and rowed away. There were five men in deceased's boat, including the deceased, and witness. When the boats collided they were both lying down. It was very dark at the time. Witness did not know who came on board or what weapons they used, and should not know the men again if he were to see them. Did not have any squabble with them before they came on board. All were lying down at the time of the murderous assault.

Sun Tin-po, a boatman, who was cut by the murderers on the hand, corroborated last witness statement.

At this point the enquiry was adjourned till Tuesday next at 10.30 a.m.

Drs. J. A. Lawson and A. Marques have been subpoenaed to give medical evidence.

THE HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT CO., LTD.

The second annual meeting of shareholders in the above Company was held at the Company's offices, No. 9, Praya Central, at 12.30 to-day. In the absence of the Chairman, Mr. C. Humphreys, Mr. J. G. Green, and Mr. J. O'D. Gourdina were present. Mr. J. C. Chater, J. B. Coughtrie (Directors) G. H. Pitt, Geo. Fenwick, W. C. Ray, A. P. Stokes, P. Jordan, Leong Ting Po, T. S. Wattle (Managers) and W. A. Duff (Secretary).

Mr. Gillespie said he was sorry that it had been necessary to call upon him to take the chair and that if he should make many mistakes in filling the position he would crave the indulgence of the shareholders in view of the short time he had had to prepare for the function. He said:—Gentlemen, the report and statement of accounts for last year's working having been your hands for sometime, with your permission we will consider them as having been read. From the statement of accounts you will observe that your Directors are again unable to recommend the payment of a dividend, although at last annual meeting the business of the Company looked so flourishing that we fully anticipated handing over a return to shareholders in the year's working, and so far we are glad to say that returns have been satisfactory; but unfortunately considerable damage was done to our property by the severe typhoons in the months of September and October last; the amount of debit typhoon damage, viz: \$1,100, does not nearly represent our loss, as this covers the damage kilns and chimneys only, whereas, in addition to this, we lost a large quantity of finished goods and the kilns, some cracked away, matcheds were destroyed, factory roof carried off, considerable part of the wharf swept out, and, owing to the injury to our kilns and chimneys, the works were non-productive for about two months. 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These points of consumption through sea round about ways as London, New York and other remote centres, when most of our distribution might be more expeditiously and more economically effected by direct delivery from Australia herself. The trade of Australia is now increasing so rapidly throughout all parts of the world, particularly through the Eastern sections of the world, that she is aiming to cut out the intermediate agencies as possible and to come into direct relations with the consumer. Australia feels that many lines of raw products and "finished raw products," as Mr. Dyer happily words it, meaning thereby natural raw products that are put in the most desirable form for their preservation, she can compete with the world and since she is now becoming a great purchasing country of the products of "this Japan," it would be an immense saving in time and expense if she could get her wares directly from these countries and not through the long detour of home markets; but the direct trade has heretofore been retarded by the lack of return cargoes for the ships and the distance being so great, ships cannot think of coming back in ballast. It is, therefore, the idea of the merchants of Australia to provide some way by which cargo may be provided each way the mutual advantage of both parties and without any displacement of the home trade. On inspection, they have found that there is a wide class of goods that Australia can prepare more cheaply and better than any other country many of which, are now already in use by these Oriental countries and could be used even much more extensively. These products, the Far Eastern lands are not generally able to produce profitably within their own districts, but must import chiefly from China and the Mediterranean, and it is not without much discussion that Mr. Dyer, as the official representative of the Australian trade, can convince, has come here with a full equipment of samples and carefully compiled statistics and trustworthy and pertinent information to submit them to the merchants and large distributing agencies with long plans and suggestions that should lead to an extensive business of unquestioned advantage to all parties concerned and to the benefit of no way the home trade. He also points to the fact that there is a wide class of goods that Australia can produce more cheaply and better than any other country, and on which there is a large margin of profit, and they will exchange the valuable products for food and such other articles as a country like Australia can yield at low rates. Australia, through her labour, can produce for many years export to be most successful exporter and in that respect, again, the Oriental countries will have an unlimited field for the disposal of their quaint and unique works of carving and of art, and of silken fabrics and dyes and perfumes and teas and numerous other products, for which China and Japan are also famous. Mr. Jerome Dyer has just been in Japan, where he interviewed the heads of the various Departments in Tokio, and the material was promised that if the Australian Trade of Tokio, Yokohama, Kobe, or Yokosuka, the five great commercial centre of Japan were emigre. The samples were distributed and were very favourably received and the reports on same will be sent in due time. "Australia to Mr. Jerome Dyer and to the authorities he represents. He feels very hopeful of a most favourable outcome of his Japanese mission and is already in correspondence with foreign and native Japanese firms, with a view to making a specialty of this class of business. Mr. Jerome Dyer is in Hongkong for a similar purpose and hopes to make suitable exhibit of his plans and samples to enable the prominent compradores and foreign distributors here to see their way to taking hold of the question and building up for themselves a large and profitable business, ensuring, at the same time, quick and frequent communication with the Orient, a question which would be almost impossible from the nature of the soils, climate and other economic conditions, to be any serious competition, the being countries fitted in every way for the exchange of products on a natural basis. Mr. Dyer is stopping at the Hongkong Hotel while here and any one interested in this group for building a new trade, who might like to see him, and learn his views in detail, will find him a most agreeable and willing representative of that vast island continent, with its still undeveloped empires and already marvelously developed possibilities, and will see that for the right men here is probably an opening for a great and growing business. We hope Mr. Dyer will witness good results from his visit to the Orient, and that we shall have the pleasure of often welcoming him back to our colony in his meritorious mission of peace and goodwill.

About the middle of next week a public exhibition of Australian products will be opened at the City Hall or some other favourably situated site in the Colony, of which due notice will be given.

THE COMMUNITY AND THE POLICE.

INTERESTING CEREMONY AT THE CENTRAL

In our issue of yesterday, owing to lack of space, we were obliged to abbreviate some of the proceedings connected with the presentation of a silver shield and medals to the Police Force whose volunteers served so loyally and efficiently in combating the plague of 1894. To-day we take pleasure in supplementing our report of yesterday with the full text of Mr. Acton's speech, and also with the names of the members of the Force to whom the General Committee and the Government decided to present special medals, in addition to the shield, which Chief Inspector Mathieson received from the hands of his Excellency, as permanent testimonial for the whole Force.

At noon yesterday, as stated in our last issue, the men of the Hongkong Police Force were paraded at the Central Police Station, before the public thanks of his Excellency the Governor for the services rendered during the plague epidemic, and, at the same time, to receive a silver shield from the community in recognition of these services. The men were drawn up in line, under the command of Mr. F. H. Mac Captain Superintendent, and the Force presented arms on the arrival of the Governor. The Governor then presented the shield to the Force, General Barker, C.B., Mr. E. A. Ackland, Acting Chief Justice, Colonel O'Gorman, D.A.C., Capt. Sterling, A.D.C.; Capt. Murray, A.D.C.; Mr. Cyril Platt, Private Secretary; Mr. Barker, Mrs. Acton, Miss Barker, Mr. A. G. W. Hill, Acting Police Judge; Mr. H. E. Wodehouse, Police Magistrate; Mr. H. C. Nicolle, Mr. Canville Sharp, Mr. E. R. Blin and Mr. C. B. Baring.

His Honour the Acting Chief Justice, in his capacity of Chairman of the Plague Service Recognition Committee, said—Sir, the Plague Recognition Committee have the privilege to-day of asking you, Excellency, on their behalf and representing the community of Hongkong, to thank the members of the Police Force for the valuable services rendered during the plague epidemic. These services are too well known to you, Excellency, to need any repetition on my part.

